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NOTICE OF PROPOSED PROGRAM CHANGE TO THE SAN FRANCISCO SEGMENT OF THE CALIFORNIA COASTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

San Francisco Bay Plan Amendment No. 2-17
Amending the Bay Plan to Address Environmental Justice and Social Equity

Pursuant to the Coastal Zone Management Act regulations, 15 C.F.R. § 923.81(e), the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission (the Commission) has submitted to the Office for Coastal Management (OCM) of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) proposed program changes to the federally-approved coastal management program for the San Francisco Bay segment of the California coastal zone. The Commission is requesting concurrence of OCM for amendments to the San Francisco Bay Plan (Bay Plan), adopted by the Commission, pursuant California Government Code Section 66652, as Bay Plan Amendment No. 2-17, to address environmental justice and social equity.

Specifically, the Commission amended the San Francisco Bay Plan ("Bay Plan") as follows:

- 1) Added a new Environmental Justice and Social Equity findings and policies section at the beginning of Part IV "Developing the Bay Shoreline Findings and Policies";
- 2) Amended the Bay Plan Public Access findings and policies;
- 3) Amended the Bay Plan Shoreline Protection findings and policies;
- 4) Amended the Bay Plan Mitigation findings and policies.

The California Office of Administrative Law approved the amendment pursuant to California Government Code Section 11354.1 and filed the amendment with the California Secretary of State on December 27, 2019. Further, the Commission gave notice of its adoption of Bay Plan Amendment No. 2-17 and its determination that the amendment will have no significant adverse impact on the environment, to the Secretary of the California Natural Resources Agency and to the public, as required by California Public Resources Code Sections 21080.5(d)(2)(E) and 21080.5(d)(2)(F). Thus, Bay Plan Amendment No. 2-17 is effective for state permitting purposes.

The amendment includes new and revised findings and new and revised enforceable policies as detailed within the program change submission document available on the NOAA website here: https://coast.noaa.gov/czmprogramchange/#/public/home

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and the Commission's website: https://www.bcdc.ca.gov/

The incorporation of the amended Bay Plan findings and enforceable policies as part of the Commission's coastal management program will allow the Commission to consider environmental justice and social equity in state permitting and federal consistency review processes as provided by 16 U.S.C. Section 1456 and 15 C.F.R. Part 930 Subparts C and D.

The NOAA OCM is reviewing the Commission's request for concurrence that the proposed program change does not require analysis under the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments regarding the incorporation of the proposed program changes to the San Francisco Bay segment of the California Coastal Management Program should be submitted directly to NOAA OCM via the NOAA website listed above or by mail. Please send any written comments to:

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Comments will be accepted by OCM for three weeks (21 days) following the date of publication of this notice on **January 9, 2020**.